

Executive Department State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor **Proclamation**

State Capitol Boise

2012 IDAHO MYASTHENIA GRAVIS AWARENESS DAY

"Uniting for a Cure... Together we are Stronger"

WHEREAS, the Pacific Northwest Chapter of the Myasthenia Gravis Foundation of America, Inc. (MGFA) was founded by Marian Forschler, RN, BSN in 1984; and

WHEREAS, myasthenia gravis (MG) is a rare, often misdiagnosed, autoimmune, neuromuscular disease that causes weakness of the voluntary muscles; and

WHEREAS, there are approximately 70,000 people living with MG in the United States today including 80 known cases in Idaho; and

WHEREAS, the Pacific Northwest Chapter provides information, support, and referrals to people in Idaho with myasthenia gravis and their families; education to the general public and the medical community, and supports research towards improved treatments options and the eventual cure of the disease; and

WHEREAS, the Pacific Northwest Chapter will celebrate June Awareness Month on June 24th;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim June 24, 2012 to be

2012 IDAHO MYASTHENIA GRAVIS AWARENESS DAY

"Uniting for a Cure... Together we are Stronger"

in Idaho.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on the 24th of June in the year of our Lord two thousand and twelve and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirty-sixth and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred twenty second.

C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER GOVERNOR

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